ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTIETH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Tuskegee Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE

CHURCH AT MOUNT LEBANON, ALA.

OCTOBER 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1885.

ELDER G. D. BENTON, MODERATOR .....Crawford, Ala.
JOHN C. CHENEY, CLERK .....Oswichee, Ala.
E. W. SOLOMONS, TREASURER .....Salem, Ala.

COLUMBUS, GA.:
Thos. Gilbert, Printer, Binder, and Paper Box Manufacturer.
1885.

LIST OF MINISTERS and THEIR POST-OFFICES.

Rev. I. P. CHENEY,	Seale, Ala.
Rev. Z. D. ROBY, D. D.,	Opelika, Ala.
Rev. W. E. LLOYD,	Auburn, Ala.
Rev. C. W. BUCK,	Salem, Ala.
Rev. J. L. REVEL,	Crawford, Ala.
Rev. G. D. BENTON,	Crawford. Ala.
Rev. J. A. HOWARD,	Seale, Ala.
Rev. T. W. HART,	Tuskegee, Ala.
Rev. F. T. HUDSON,	Tuskegee, Ala.
Rev. D. S. DUFFEE,	Salem, Ala.
Rev. J. W. WILSON,	Lively, Ala.

LICENTIATES.

W. T. HUGULEY,	Salem, Ala.
R. A. TILLERY,	Mott's Mill, Ala.
H. C. SANDERS,	Opelika, Ala.
J. W. KNOWLES,	Columbus, Ga.
S. W. HARRIS,	Crawford, Ala.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening Services.
2. Read Letters from Churches and Enroll Delegates.
3. Invite Ministers of our Order to Seats with us.
4. Organize by Electing Moderator, Clerk, and Treasurer.
5. Call for Petitionary Letters.
6. Receive Correspondents from Sister Associations.
7. Appoint Committees on Preaching, Documents and State of Religion, Missions, Sunday Schools, Education, Temperance, and Deceased Ministers.
8. Appoint Correspondence to Sister Associations.
9. Appoint Delegates to State Convention.
10. Hear Report of the Executive Committee.
11. Hear Report of any other Committee appointed last Session.
12. Elect the Executive Committee.
13. Hear Reports from the Several Committees appointed this Session.
14. Hear Treasurer's Report, and Report of the Auditing Committee.
15. Determine where the next Session of the Association will be held.
16. Arrange for Printing of Minutes, and Distribution.
17. Miscellaneous Business.
18. Closing Exercises.

MINUTES.

The Fortieth Annual Session of the Tuskegee Baptist Association was held with the church at Mount Lebanon on Friday, October 2d, 1885.

11 o'clock A. M.—The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. F. Bledsoe, of the Liberty Association (Elder W. E. Lloyd, the appointee, being absent), from Luke, 10th chapter, last clause 29th verse: "Who is my neighbor."

EVENING SESSION.

At 1:30 o'clock the body was called to order by J. C. Cheney (the former Clerk), the Moderator being absent.

After prayer by Elder G. D. Benton, G. D. Benton was elected Moderator, *pro tem.*

The letters from the churches were read, and delegates enrolled, as follows:

Auburn—J. D. Foster.

Beulah—S. R. Grimes, J. H. Brown.

Brownville—A. N. White, E. F. Davidson, Henry Sullivan, James Green.

Cenchrea—J. J. Hunt, A. A. Dawson.

Crawford—J. W. Grimes, J. H. Bickerstaff, G. D. Benton, H. P. Wells.

Concord, Macon county—J. B. Zachery, T. A. Key.

Concord, Lee county—Not represented.

Cubahatchie—By letter.

County Line—J. S. Adams.

Elam—C. B. Huguely, Peter Zellner.

Ebenezer—Not represented.

Friendship—Not represented.

Liberty—Not represented.

Notasulga—Not represented.

Providence—Not represented.

Rocky Mount—Not represented.

Union Grove—Not represented.

Girard—J. H. Matthews.

LaPlace—Yancey Swearingen, W. T. B. Lynch.

Loachapoka—Nat G. Macon.

Mount Lebanon—M. Cliatt, Joseph Vann, J. H. Thomas, C. Calhoun, W. D. Stratford.

Opelika—Z. D. Roby.

Oswichee—J. T. Nuckolls, J. A. Howard, James Hyatt, R. A. Stratford.

Pleasant Grove—D. W. Meadors, D. B. Thomas.

Philadelphia—L. R. Wheless.

Society Hill—J. A. Meadors.

Salem—E. W. Solomons, D. S. Duffie.

Shiloh—G. W. Huguely.

Seale—W. J. Boykin, I. P. Cheney.

Tuskegee—T. W. Hart.

Good Hope—J. T. Aiken.

Pleasant Hill—J. L. Collins.

During the reading of letters, one was presented by Pleasant Hill Church, and, as her name was not on the roll, Elder Hart moved to lay it upon the table, which motion prevailed.

After inviting ministers of our faith and order to seats with us, the body organized by electing the following officers:

Moderator—Elder G. D. Benton.

Clerk—John C. Cheney.

Treasurer—E. W. Solomons.

The letter of Pleasant Hill Church, on motion, was taken from the table, and, after an explanation by her delegate, the Clerk was ordered to re-enroll her name.

Petitionary letters being called for, one was presented and read from New Hope Church.

On motion, the church was received, and the right hand of fellowship extended her delegate, Bro. R. E. Stockton.

Correspondents from sister Associations being called for, the following brethren responded, and were warmly welcomed by the Moderator:

Liberty East—J. F. Bledsoe.

Centennial—F. E. Boykin.

Eufaula—H. R. Schramm.

Bethel, Ga.—W. D. Joiner.

The following committees, to report this session, were appointed:

On Preaching—J. W. Grimes, J. L. Collins, L. R. Wheless, pastor and delegates of Mount Lebanon Church.

On Documents—A. N. White, S. R. Grimes, G. W. Huguely.

Correspondents to sister Associations were appointed as follows:

Liberty East—Elders Z. D. Roby, D. D., D. S. Duffie, F. T. Hudson.

Eufaula—Elders J. A. Howard, I. P. Chency, G. D. Benton, W. J. Boykin, J. H. Bickerstaff.

Centennial—I. P. Cheney, J. A. Howard.

STATE CONVENTION.

A committee, consisting of Elder J. A. Howard, J. H. Bickerstaff and William Gatewood, was appointed to nominate delegates to State Convention.

REPORT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Elder Z. D. Roby stated that nothing had come before the Committee, therefore they had to report nothing done.

The Committee to Revise Articles of Faith reported, and, on motion, the report was referred back to the Committee to insert scriptural quotations.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

There are in this Association thirty-one churches. Of that number only fourteen reported Sunday Schools last year. We hope for a better showing this year, both as to the number of churches engaged in this work and as to the proportion of church members enlisted. We have only partial statistics as to the schools. Supposing those given to fairly represent the others, we find the membership of the schools to be less than 83 per cent. of the membership of the churches. Making due allowance for the unconverted scholars, the per cent. of our brethren who are thus engaged in the study and teaching of God's word will be reduced sadly. Would our Saviour have to ask the question of us, "Where are the nine?" Alas, for those churches which are doing nothing in this direction! Brethren, "these things ought not so to be." If any be familiar with the truth, "ye ought to be teachers." If any be ignorant, let them come and learn, for such ignorance is criminal where there are such opportunities for gathering together to study the Bible. If we cannot have preaching every Sunday, let us not "forsake the assembling of ourselves together" for this great work of getting and imparting a better knowledge of the truth. Who of us would not gain much by the use of the valuable aids to be found in our Sunday School literature? Why

should not every professed follower of Jesus enlist in this important department of church work? Shall we allow trifling excuses to stand in the way of duty? The development of Christian character, and the awakening of "a zeal according to knowledge," may be hoped for when a church supplements the labors of its pastor by a live Sunday School. Our children and the stranger would be interested, instructed, and led to Christ. The Bible is worthy of our study, and the world and the church will do well to unite in the Sunday School.

We respectfully suggest that there be "no discharge in this war" on account of distance from church, home duties, age, ignorance, or wisdom. As none can afford to do without the truth, let no idler rest. Don't send your children, but carry them. If ye cannot teach, "ye have need that one teach you."

J. A. HOWARD,
J. M. LOFLIN, } Com.
D. J. HUNT,

This important report was spoken to by Elder J. A. Howard, G. W. Huguely, Z. D. Roby, J. C. Cheney, T. W. Hart, J. F. Bledsoe, after which it was unanimously adopted.

On motion, the body adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow. Prayer by Elder F. T. Hudson.

SATURDAY MORNING.

9 A. M.—The Association called to order. Prayer by Elder I. P. Cheney. Minutes of previous day confirmed.

Report on Religious Literature called for. Committee reported they had no report, which was received and Committee discharged.

This subject was spoken to by Elders Z. D. Roby and J. F. Bledsoe.

The body elected Elders W. E. Lloyd, D. D., Z. D. Roby, D. D., and W. E. Hudmon, as Advisory Committee.

The report on Missions was made special order for 11 o'clock

Committee to Nominate Delegates to State Convention reported the following names, and, on motion, they were unanimously elected: Elders F. T. Hudson, D. S. Duffie, and brethren Waddy Thompson, Dr. A. N. Adams, E. W. Solomons, Dr. Love, N. G. Macon, Prof. P. H. Mell, Jr., W. T. B. Lynch, W. E. Hudmon.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The following resolution was offered and adopted.

Resolved, That letters of dismission are hereby granted Seale and Oswichee churches, and to any other church that may make application to the Clerk during recess.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

"Let your moderation be known unto all men." Temperance is moderation in the indulgence of "natural" appetites. The desire for whiskey is not a natural appetite, but is an acquired one, and does not, therefore, strictly speaking, come under the Bible law of temperance, but belongs to that class of things which are forbidden.

Whiskey drinking is a great evil—is only evil. It is agianst nature, as it is to the body neither food nor drink, according to the demands of nature, but, on the contrary, it creates thirst and starves the body. Not only so, but it involves us in the loss of the soul—final banishment from God and all happiness. "No drunkard shall inherit the kingdom of God." This brings us squarely to the conviction that in its use, sale and manufacture it ought to be prohibited by both ecclesiastic and civil law. We must educate up to this point, and in due season we will reap if we faint not. The world is waiting in many tears for this redemption. Let us toil and pray for its speedy coming. Z. D. ROBY.

The subject was spoken to by Elder D. S. Duffie, H. R. Schramm, I. P. Cheney and J. A. Howard, after which the report was adopted.

Brethren J. A. Roquemore and W. S. Paulin being in the house, were recognized and welcomed as correspondents from Eufaula Association.

The hour of 11 A. M. having arrived, the special order, report on Missions, was taken up.

MISSIONS.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention had, including native assistants, 106 Missionaries employed during the last convention year. These Missionaries were distributed as follows: In Mexico, 15; in Brazil, 8; in Italy, 12; in Africa, 15; in China, 56. On all these fields some progress is being made, some success is being achieved, some victories are being won, notwithstanding the number, strength and obstinacy of our foes. In Mexico especially, the gospel has triumphed marvellously and gloriously. The receipts of our Foreign Mission Board, from all sources and for all purposes amounted last year, to $87,047.83. Of this sum the Baptists of Alabama contributed $2,150.78. An average of about $2\frac{3}{4}$ cents each.

HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention employed 185 Missionaries during last convention year. These Missionaries were distributed, in Alabama, 1; in Arkansas, 21; in Florida, 34; in Georgia, 6; in Indian Territory, 21; in Louisiana, 6; in Missouri, 2; in Virginia, 1: in Kentucky, 1; in Texas, 81; in Western North Carolina, 12. These brethren delivered about 17,000 sermons and addresses, traveled about 165,000 miles, attended 2,849 prayer meetings, made 22,818 visits, constituted 53 churches, and baptized nearly 3,000 persons. The receipts of this Board, from all sources and for all purposes, during the year, amounted to $71,431.68. Of this sum the 80,000 Baptists of Alabama contributed $1,871.85. An average of about $2\frac{3}{8}$ cents each.

STATE MISSIONS.

Our State Mission Board had 81 men employed during last convention year. These men were distributed through 60 counties of Alabama. They delivered 4,463 sermons and addresses, baptized 919 persons, received into churches 1,402 members, organized 71 Sunday schools and constituted 13 churches. In addition to this general work our State Board is charged with the evangelization of the colored people, the care of aged and infirm ministers of the gospel and the Bible and colportage work of the State. For all these purposes, and from all sources, this Board received last convention year about $12,000. An average of about 15 cents each for our 80,000 Baptists in the State.

REMARKS.

The Tuskegee Association represents, in round numbers, about 1,900 members. The Minutes of our last session show that during the year we had contributed to all purposes of a benevolent character $609.23. An average of about 32 cents each. Now, when we remember that a few members of this body give $25 each, that others give $20 each, that many give as much as $10 each, and that a still larger number give as much as $5 each, we are forced to the conclusion that a very large majority of our brethren and sisters are giving *nothing at all*. It takes only twenty-four men, at $25 each, to raise $600; only sixty men, at $10 each, are needed to raise $600. Of our 1,900 members, not more than 400 are regular contributors to Missions. Search and see whether these things be so.

Z. D. ROBY, *Chairman.*

Spoken to by Elder Z. D. Roby, J. C. Cheney and others, after which the report was adopted.

The delegates of the different churches estimated that their churches could raise for this associational year the following amounts:

Auburn	$ 75 00	Mount Lebanon	$ 20 00
Beulah	10 00	Opelika	100 00
Brownville	25 00	Oswichee	100 00
Cenchrea	20 00	Society Hill	25 00
Crawford	20 00	Salem	40 00
Concord, Macon Co	10 00	Shiloh	5 00
County Line	10 00	Scale	60 00
Elam	10 00	Tuskegee	150 00
Girard	10 00	New Hope	20 00
LaPlace	25 00	Pleasant Hill	10 00
Loachapoka	10 00		
Total			$750 00

After prayer by Bro. W. S. Paulin, the body adjourned till 1:30 o'clock P. M

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 O'CLOCK. The body was called to order. Prayer by Elder F. T. Hudson.

The report on Education was called for, but the Committee failed to respond. The body voted to discuss the subject, and it was ably and enthusiastically spoken to by Elders Cheney, Roby and Howard.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

E. W. SOLOMONS, *Treasurer, in account with the Tuskegee Association:*

1884. DR.

Oct. 18—To amount from Finance Committee	$297 10	
26—To amount from Seale Church	1 50	
To balance due Treasurer	3 00	
		$301 60
Oct. 3—By collection	$3 00	

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Oct. 18—By J. C. Cheney, receipt	Voucher	1..	$ 48 50	
26— " "	"	2..	1 50	
Nov. 10—By T. M. Bailey	"	3..	218 60	
12—By T. L. Hudgins, Tr. Minist. B'rd.	"	4..	30 00	
1885.				
Sept. 8—By Thos. Gilbert, Rec't Stub Book.	"	5..	3 00	
				$301 60
By balance brought down	$3 00			

E. W. SOLOMONS, *Treasurer.*

FINANCE TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Minutes.	State Missions. Cash.	State Missions. Vouchers.	Foreign Missions Cash.	Foreign Missions Vouchers.	Home Missions. Cash.	Home Missions. Vouchers.	Ministerial Education—Cash.	Indig't Ministers Cash.	Indig't Ministers Vouchers.	Bible Work. Vouchers.	Church Build'g. Vouchers.	Total.
Auburn	$1 50	.....	$38 65	.....	$	$3 70	23 45	$.....	$ ...	$ ...	$8 05	$ ...	$75 35
Brownville	4 00	$ 5 00	.....	$ 5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 00
Buelah	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Concord, Macon..	1 00	2 55	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 55
Concord, Lee	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
County Line	1 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 50
Cubahatchie	1 50	3 00	.....	3 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
Crawford	2 00	8 00	.....	9 25	.....	8 00	.....	3 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	33 25
Cenchrea	1 50	6 00	.....	8 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21 50
Elam	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 30
Girard	1 50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50
Loachapoka	1 50	3 00	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00
LaPlace	1 00	2 00	.....	3 50	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 50
Mount Lebanon.	2 00	1 00	7 40	2 00	.....	4 05	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 45
New Hope	1 50	8 00	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 50
Notasulga	2 00	5 50	.....	5 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Oswichee	2 50	35 50	20 00	18 00	.....	10 00	6 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	97 00
Opelika	4 00	.....	44 97	.....	18 77	.....	16 76	12 05	.....	.....	7 45	.....	104 00
Pleasant Hill	1 50	.....	2 72	.....	1 14	.....	1 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 50
Philadelphia	2 00	6 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00
Pleasant Grove ..	2 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	3 80
Salem	1 50	10 00	7 00	10 00	11 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	45 00
Shiloh	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Society Hill	1 50	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	1 75	.....	.....	.....	18 25
Seale	2 00	14 00	17 75	14 00	.....	4 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 40	.....	54 20
Tuskegee	1 50	.....	27 45	.....	70 73	.....	17 95	7 00	.....	5 24	.....	5 00	134 87
Union Grove	95	3 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 70
Collect'n Sunday	.....	7 58	.....	7 58	.....	7 58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22 74
W. T. B. Lynch..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00
	47 75	140 88	165 94	101 33	101 64	60 88	65 30	49 85	6 25	5 24	20 40	5 00	770 46

To Minute fund	47 75	
To State Missions, cash	140 88	
" " vouchers	165 94	
To Foreign Missions, cash	101 33	
" " vouchers	101 64	
To Home Missions, cash	60 88	
" " vouchers	65 30	
To Ministerial Education, cash	49 85	
To Indigent Ministers, cash	6 25	
" " vouchers	5 24	
To Bible Work, vouchers	20 40	
To Church Building, vouchers	5 00	
		$770 46
By amount paid Clerk Association	$ 47 75	
" " T. M. Bailey, Marion	309 34	
" " T. I. Hudgins, Birmingham	49 85	
" " vouchers	363 52	
		$770 46

Oswichee, Mount Lebanon and Salem Sabbath School sent up in the above amounts.....$25 78
Salem Mission Society sent up in the above amounts..... 15 00

$40 78

Salem, Oct. 6, 1885. E. W. SOLOMONS, *Treasurer.*

Report adopted.

The following resolution was offered and adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That for the many courtesies and kindnesses that have been extended to us during our stay among this good people, we feel grateful, and hereby take this method of publicly expressing our thanks. We also extend to the officers of the Mobile and Girard, Columbus and Western, and Western Railway of Alabama, our thanks for their liberal reductions of fare to the delegates.

The body voted to meet with County Line Church, Lee county, Wednesday before third Sabbath in October, 1886.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the money sent up for minutes be turned over to the Clerk, and he be instructed to print and distribute the same.

G. D. BENTON, Moderator.

J. C. Cheney, Clerk.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be called the TUSKEGEE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, composed of messengers chosen from the different churches constituting it, holding annual sessions at such time and places as it may select.

ART. 2. Believing that churches are independent religious bodies, owing allegiance only to Christ, this Association claims no right to interfere authoritatively with their internal concerns.

ART. 3. The Association shall elect from its membership, at each annual session, by ballot, a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and an Executive Committee, composed of five brethren, who shall hold their offices until their successors are chosen.

ART. 4. The Moderator shall preside over the body, appoint all committees, unless otherwise instructed, and decide all points of order by the rules in Mell's Parliamentary Practice, subject to an appeal to the body.

ART. 5. The Clerk shall keep a record of the proceedings, direct the printing and distribution of the Minutes, and perform such other duties as belong to his office.

ART. 6. The Treasurer shall take charge of the money and general property of the Association; report in writing at each annual session, the condition of the finances, exhibiting vouchers for all sums paid out; he shall also provide himself with blank receipts, to be filled and handed to the delegates from the several churches, respectively, who may bring up funds; and at the expiration of his term, deliver to his successor the property of the Association in hand.

ART. 7. The Advisory Committee may fill vacancies occurring in its membership, and shall, under the direction of the Association, manage its business during its adjournment.

ART. 8. At each session, committees of three shall be appointed to report, in writing, the following subjects: Preaching, Documents, Sunday Schools, Missions, Deceased Ministers, Education, and Temperance.

ART. 9. Churches wishing to become members of this body, must petition by letter or messengers, and, if found to be scriptural in doctrine and practice, be received to fellowship by vote of the Association, and welcomed by the Moderator.

ART. 10. Churches wishing to change their membership, may petition by letter or messenger, and, if in fellowship with the body, be dismissed in due form. Any infringement of the laws of this Association, or departure from the faith and practice of the Scriptures by a church, will be a cause of complaint against such church, and will subject it to the discipline of the body.

ART. 11. Messengers, before being enrolled as members, must present evidence of their appointment, giving also the number of the membership of their church, the number received during the past year by baptism, letter and restoration, the number dismissed, expelled and dead, with an account of all the money given to the support of the gospel and general benevolence, the condition of the Sunday School, with statistics, prayer meetings, and other good works engaged in by their churches.

ART. 12. Each church shall be entitled to two messengers; when the membership is fifty, to three; and one for every additional twenty-five, or fractional part thereof.

ART. 13. Amendments to the Constitution may be made by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

ART. 14. The Minutes of the Association must be read, approved, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before final adjournment.

Articles of Faith.

1. We believe in the existence of one only living God, and that he has made himself known to his people under the name of the Father, the Son, ann the Holy Ghost, the same in essence and every Divine perfection.

2. We believe the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God, and the only rule of Faith and Practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election; that God chose in Christ Jesus from before the foundation of the world to save them that believe, that they should be holy and without blame before him in love, having predestinated them unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his grace.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

5. We believe in man's impotency to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by nature, by his own free will and ability.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated, sanctified, by the Holy Ghost.

8. We believe that nothing can separate true believers from the love of God, but that they will be kept by the power of God, through faith, unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time.

9. We believe that *Baptism* and the *Lord's Supper* are ordinances of the Church of Christ; that true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances; and that immersion only is baptism.

10. We believe in the resurrection and the general judgment.

11. We believe the punishment of the *wicked* will be eternal, and the joy of the righteous will be everlasting.

12. We believe that no minister has a right to administer the ordinances only such as are called of God, as was Aaron, and come under the imposition of hands by a presbytery, and in fellowship with the church of which he is a member.

STATISTICS OF THE CHURCHES.

CHURCHES	POST-OFFICES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS.	Baptized.	Received by Letter.	Restored.	Dismissed by Letter.	Died.	Excluded.	Total.	Membership of Sunday School.	Day of Meeting.	Sunday School.
Auburn	Auburn	W. E. Lloyd, D. D.	A. F. McElhaney	27	1	...	2	...	...	70	80	1, 2 & 3	S. S.
Buelah	Guerryton	D. S. Duffey	J. F. Johns	1	4	...	...	1	...	37	.....	1	.....
Brownville	Lively	J. E. G. Hillman	A. N. White	4	27	3	13	2	10	374	125	Reg.	S. S.
Concord, Lee county	Mott's Mill	J. B. Reese	R. W. Dixon	...	...	...	1	...	...	27	40	.....	S. S.
Concord, Macon county	Notasulga	F. T. Hudson	J. B. Zachry	...	...	...	12	1	1	68	.....	.....	.....
Cubahatchie	Shorter's	J. J. Cloud	E. S. McWhorter	2	1	...	...	1	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cenchrea	Hatchechubbee	G. D. Benton	S. D. Johnson	2	6	1	5	...	3	36	.....	3	.....
Crawford	Crawford	G. D. Benton	J. W. Grimes	4	4	...	5	2	2	58	33	1	S. S.
County Line	Salem	D. S. Duffey	J. K. Aldridge	...	...	...	1	...	...	36	.....	4	.....
Ebun	Auburn	F. T. Hudson	L. A. Wright	2	2	...	2	...	...	41	.....	.....	.....
Ebenezer	Dick's Creek	.....	Not represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Friendship	Hatchechubbee	.....	Not represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Girard	Columbus, Ga.	J. M. Wood	J. H. Matthews	...	4	2	4	1	...	78	.....	.....	S. S.
LaPlace	LaPlace	T. W. Hart	W. T. B. Lynch	1	...	...	...	...	...	43	40	3	S. S.
Loachapoka	Loachapoka	F. T. Hudson	F. E. Haine	1	3	...	3	...	...	37	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Hill	Tuskegee	F. T. Hudson	J. H. Collins	4	...	...	...	...	...	28	.....	3	S. S.
Mount Lebanon	Laflin	I. P. Cheney	W. D. Stratford	...	2	...	4	1	1	67	30	1	S. S.
Notasulga	Notasulga	W. G. Gregory	C. A. Morgan	1	3	...	2	...	...	44	.....	.....	.....
New Hope	Columbus, Ga.	G. D. Benton	R. E. Stockston	2	4	...	...	...	...	17	.....	.....	S. S.
Oswichee	Oswichee.	J. A. Howard	J. C. Cheney	6	...	...	2	1	1	64	30	2 & 4	S. S.
Opelika	Opelika	Z. D. Roby, D. D.	John J. Smith	10	13	2	13	2	3	172	185	Reg.	S. S.
Pleasant Grove	Salem	J. B. Reese	D. W. Eckles	15	6	..	...	1	...	67	.....	2	.....
Philadelphia	Smith's Station	C. S. Johnson	S. L. Mullin	7	...	1	2	1	1	60	.....	2	.....
Providence	Salem	.....	Not represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Mount	Wacoochee Valley	.....	Not represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salem	Salem	D. S. Duffey	D. W. Floyd	21	5	...	4	...	...	56	69	2	S. S.
Seale	Seale	I. P. Cheney	W. J. Boykin	...	6	...	7	...	...	60	50	3	S. S.
Society Hill	Society Hill	D. S. Duffey	J. A. Richardson	3	7	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shiloh	Crawford	J. L. Revel	G. W. Huguely	..	5	...	2	...	7	47	25	4	S. S.
Tuskegee	Tuskegee	T. W. Hart	.....	2	2	...	2	...	...	130	60	Reg.	S. S.
Union Grove	.....	G. D. Benton	A. M. Blalock	...	1	...	9	...	...	30	.....	2	.....
Good Hope	Uchee	.....	Not represented	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....

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